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SUBJECT: ALLEGED SOVIET INTEREST IN STORAGE AT ANTWERP OF
GRAIN TO BE BOUGHT IN U.S.

1. CONSULATE OFFICER INFORMED OCTOBER THIRD BY DETERS OF THE
ANTWERP BRANCH OF TRADAX N.V. (REPORTEDLY A EUROPEAN SUBSIDIARY
OF CARGILL, INC., U.S.A.) THAT ABOUT "SIX WEEKS AGO" SOVIETS
VISITED HIM TO INQUIRE ABOUT USING TRADAX GRAIN STORAGE SPACE
IN ANTWERP. RUSSIANS EXPLAINED THAT THEIR OWN PORTS WOULD BE
UNABLE IMMEDIATELY TO HANDLE THE QUANTITY OF GRAIN THEY EXPECTED
TO BUY FROM US AND THEREFORE SOVIET UNION WAS INVESTIGATING
POSSIBILITY RENTING STORAGE SPACE FOR SHORT TERM IN OTHER
EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

2. DETERS SPECULATED THAT AT ABOUT SAME TIME THEY TALKED TO HIM,
SOVIETS MUST ALSO HAVE CONTACTED THE TWO MAJOR GRAIN STORAGE
FIRMS IN ANTWERP (SOBELGRA AND SAMGA). CONSULATE FOLLOW UP,
HOWEVER, INDICATES THAT RUSSIANS HAVE NOT RPT. NOT VISITED
SOBELGRA OR SAMGA FOR "THREE YEARS".

3. COMMENT: CONSULATE HAS, SO FAR, BEEN ABLE ELICIT NO RPT.NO
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